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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2210

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Katsuhiko HIEDA, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2811
Serial No.: 09/469,190) Examiner: Vu, Hung K.
Filed: December 21, 1999)
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND)
METHOD FOR)
MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002, with a period for response
extending through December 24, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Submitted herewith is a Request for Approval of Drawing Changes in which proposed
changes to Figs. 15 and 16 are indicated in red ink.

REMARKS

According to the Examiner, claims 10, 15, 19, and 24 – 30 are pending, with claims 10,
15, and 24 – 30 withdrawn from consideration as drawn to a nonelected invention. The
Examiner only examined claim 19 on the merits in this Office Action, and summarized on p. 2 of

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